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### Department of Health and Environment

#### Notice of Hearing on Proposed Administrative Regulations

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), Bureau of Epidemiology and Public Health Informatics, will conduct a public hearing at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, April 6, 2022, to receive public comment regarding the adoption of proposed amended KDHE Article 17 Division of Vital Statistics regulations 28-17-6 and 28-17-12 regarding fees for vital records.

Due to recent public health concerns, only remote public participation is available. To participate in the teleconference hearing, call 1-866-620-7326 and enter conference code 8141969688#. During the teleconference public hearing, all interested individuals will be given a reasonable opportunity to present their comment orally on the proposed regulations. It is requested that each individual giving oral comment provide a written copy of the comment for the record prior to the hearing by email or postal mail to the email or postal mailing address listed in this notice or by fax to the fax number also listed in this notice. In order to give each individual an opportunity to present their comment, it may be necessary for the hearing officer to request that each presenter limit an oral presentation of comment to an appropriate time frame.

The time period between the publication of this notice and the scheduled hearing constitutes a 60-day public comment period for the purpose of receiving written public comment on the proposed regulations. Individuals are encouraged to participate in the public hearing by submitting written comment prior to 5:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing. Submit written comment, including a written copy of oral comment, to Kay Haug, Bureau of Epidemiology and Public Health Informatics, Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Curtis State Office Bldg., Suite 110, 1000 SW Jackson, Topeka, KS 66612, by email to [Kay.haug@ks.gov](mailto:Kay.haug@ks.gov) or by fax to 785-559-4219.

A summary of the proposed regulations and estimated economic impact follows:

#### Summary of Regulations:

**K.A.R. 28-17-6. Fees for copies, abstracts, and searches.** Increases the fee for the search to issue certified birth, death, stillbirth, marriage and divorce certificates, non-certified records or verifications.

**K.A.R. 28-17-12. Delayed certificates of birth or foreign-born certificate; filing fee.** Increases the filing fee for an application for a delayed certificate of birth or foreign-born certificate.

#### Economic Impact:

Cost to the agency: The proposed regulations will result in minimal costs to KDHE that can be absorbed in the ongoing KDHE budget.

Cost to the public: The proposed regulation changes will impact members of the public that purchase certificates or file a delayed certificate of birth or foreign-born certificate.

Cost to other governmental agencies or units: The proposed regulation changes will have some impact on governmental agencies that request certificates.

A detailed economic impact is provided in the economic impact statement that is available from the designated KDHE contact person or at the KDHE Bureau of Epidemiology and Public Health Informatics website, as listed below.

Complete copies of the proposed regulations and the corresponding economic impact statement may be obtained from the KDHE Bureau of Epidemiology and Public Health Informatics website at <https://www.kdhe.ks.gov/1088/Epidemiology-Public-Health-Informatics> or by contacting Kay Haug at [Kay.haug@ks.gov](mailto:Kay.haug@ks.gov) or phone 785-296-8795. Questions pertaining to the proposed regulations should be directed to Kay Haug at the contact information above.

Any individual with a disability may request accommodation in order to participate in the public hearing and may request the proposed regulations and the economic impact statement in an accessible format. Requests for accommodation to participate in the hearing should be made at least five working days in advance of the hearing by contacting Kay Haug.

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